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Congratulations Google, Red Hat and the Java Community!

I just wanted to add my voice to the chorus of others from Sun in offering my heartfelt congratulations to Google on the announcement of their new Java/Linux phone platform, Android. Congratulations!

I'd also like Sun to be the first platform software company to commit to a complete developer environment around the platform, as we throw Sun's NetBeans developer platform for mobile devices behind the effort. We've obviously done a ton of work to support developers on all Java based platforms, and were pleased to add Google's Android to the list.

The Java platform has come a long way - we're on the vast majority of mobile devices in the marketplace today (well **over a billion phones** at last count), and with Google's mobile services (like gMail and Google Maps), along with Yahoo!'s Go Mobile, alongside a massive spectrum of incredible entertainment offerings from folks like Electronic Arts, we have by far and away the most complete content ecosystem on the market today. Enabling carriers, handset manufacturers, content creators - and most of all, consumers - to get the most from their mobile devices.

And needless to say, Google and the Open Handset Alliance just strapped another set of rockets to the community's momentum - and to the vision defining opportunity across our (and other) planets.

Today is an incredible day for the open source community, and a massive endorsement of two of the industry's most prolific free software communities, Java and Linux.

Stay tuned for specific details - for those so inclined, download NetBeans here to check out the industry's most popular IDE for mobile Java development.

And in the spirit of offering congratulations, I'd like to offer a similar shout out to our friends at Red Hat Linux - who today announced their support for the OpenJDK project. With friends like Google and Red Hat, it sure seems like the momentum behind Java's on the rise...

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Why isn't Sun part of the OpenHandsetAlliance? Is it another case of NIH, since Google is not using JavaFXMobile so Sun doesn't want to be part of it?

Posted by **Enaiel** on November 05, 2007 at 02:07 PM PST #

Jonathan, it is amazing the amount of value this has brought to Google's share prices as the investment world was speculating on Google's play in this industry.

It is companies like Sun and Google, which are helping the possibility and connectivity of the net expand on a daily basis.

Thank you

Posted by **Steve** on November 05, 2007 at 02.07 PM PST #

How come the stock tanked with such a good news? After hours trading JAVA down 2.8% or 12 cents to $5.56

Posted by **Michael Byrne** on November 05, 2007 at 02.19 PM PST #

"How come the stock tanked with such a good news?"

Uh, 'cause as usual with Java, there's no money in it for Sun?

Posted by **whystopnow** on November 05, 2007 at 02 25 PM PST #

Wait, I didn't hear or see any mention of Java during the whole Open Handset Alliance introduction. The openhandsetalliance.com has NO mention of Java either. Where is the Java?

Posted by **Adam Khel** on November 05, 2007 at 02:30 PM PST #

This is truly a great news for Java/developers, congratulations.
I wonder if iJobs got this AMAZING news on his kind of mobile device;)

Thanks very much.

Posted by **Threads** on November 05, 2007 at 02 38 PM PST #

Great. The Java platform seems to be pretty healthy. The only need it really needs is a great

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